Research First Before Dividing Property!

Any lot within a plat of record as of the effective date of this Ordinance shall not be re-divided into two (2) or more lots unless the provisions of the Subdivision Ordinance are satisfied.



Santa Rosa County

MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (R2) ZONING DISTRICT

(EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2004)

Research done today, could save you time and money.

The information provided in this brochure is extracted from the Santa Rosa County Land Development Code; however, it is the responsibility of the applicant to contact the Planning and Zoning Division to discuss land use issues when a change is desired. This brochure is only to be used as an overall help tool for the general public.

Note: Land Development Code is subject to change.

Purpose

This district is designated to provide suitable areas for medium density residential development where sufficient urban services and facilities are available or will be prior to development, or where the extension of such services and facilities will be physically and economically facilitated. It is the intent of these regulations to permit single and two family structures and multiple family structures within the density range as defined in the district regulations subject to the required provision for open space within the project parcel. Within this district, the density of new development proposals shall be compatible with existing development, the policies of this Ordinance and the Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Towards this end, preservation of stable, established areas, cultivation as smooth transitions in the residential densities (where gradual shifts in density are in order due to varied levels of access to public services including transportation and utilities) unique physical features of the property, nature and intensity of neighboring land uses, and other site characteristics are to be considered.

It is the express purpose of this Section to exclude from this district all buildings or other structures and uses having commercial characteristics whether operated for profit or otherwise, except those home occupations and conditional uses specifically provided for in this Ordinance.

Permitted Use

In this district a building or premises may be used only for the following purposes: detached single family, zero lot line, patio homes, cluster homes, duplexes, attached and detached multiple family residential structures, group homes, and accessory structures and facilities. Mobile homes are prohibited.

Density

For all development proposals, property in this district may be developed, at the option of the owner, to a maximum of ten (10) units per acre.

Lot Size

The minimum width of any lot used for one (1) or two (2) family dwelling units shall be fifty (50) feet when measured at the minimum front setback line. The minimum width of any lot or project parcel used for a multiple family dwelling shall be one hundred (100) feet when measured at the street (county maintained or platted) rightof-way line when measured from front lot corner to front lot corner. Zero lot-line. patio, and cluster homes shall provide a minimum forty (40) foot wide lot at the street (county maintained or platted) Right-of- way line when measured from front lot corner to front lot. Zero lot-line, patio home, and cluster home sites shall provide a minimum four thousand (4,000) square foot lot size. In all cases the minimum lot width shall be maintained. through the rear of the residential structure.

The minimum lot width on dead end culde-sac lots shall not be less than forty (40) feet when measured at the top of the arc of the street right-of-way line. For one (1) or two (2) family dwelling units, the lot width of a cul-de-sac lot shall not be less than fifty (50) feet when measured at the top of the arc at the minimum front setback line. The minimum width shall be maintained through the rear of the residential structure.

Yard Restrictions

Except as provided in Section 2.10.03 of the Land Development Code, no building or structure shall have a setback less than twenty (20) feet from any street, unless the front yard is located on the perimeter of a project, in which case the setback shall be twenty-five (25) feet. However, if the parcel abuts a major arterial, the minimum setback shall be fifty (50) feet.

Side Yard: Except as provided for in Section 2.10.05 of the Land Development Code, individual dwelling units on individual lots shall have a side yard setback of ten percent (10%) of the lot width when measured at the minimum front setback to a maximum of fifteen (15) feet. For project parcels or multi-family projects the minimum side yard setback shall be ten (10) feet. Zero lot line, patio, and cluster homes shall provide one side yard of at least ten percent (10%) of the lot width.

Rear Yard: Every lot or project parcel shall have a rear yard of not less than ten (10) feet in depth, unless the rear yard is located on the perimeter of a project, in which case the setback shall be twenty-five (25) feet. The setback requirement shall apply to that area within twenty-five (25) feet of the common lot line. See Section 2.10.04 of the Land Development Code for exceptions.

Where a multifamily residential district abuts a single family residential district, a front, side and rear yard of twice the height of the proposed building is required.